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# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application  
filed on or after June 8, 1995.  
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	10/802,068
Filing Date	3/15/2004
First Named Inventor	Richard L. Mahle
Group Art Unit	2891
Examiner Name	Thai, Luan C.
Attorney Docket Number	TI-34638.1

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes in Application Examination and Amended Application Drafting Interim Rule 35 ECF Doc 14885 (Mar 29 2000) 4293 OF Gov Doc Office 47 (Mar 14 2000) which

## 1 Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §

- a ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendments(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on January 31, 2006.  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 2 Miscellaneous

- a ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103 (c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (i) required)
- b ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 3 Fees

- The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
- a ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 20-0668, Texas Instruments Incorporated.
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
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